

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Robert Charles Lewis DAY et al

Appln. No. : 08/935,865

Filed : September 23, 1997

For : TAPE PRINTING APPARATUS



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please further amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

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40. A tape printing apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:
a platen which is engageable by said thermal printing head during each mode of operation of said thermal printing head.

41. A tape printing apparatus as claimed in claim 40, wherein said platen is mounted for rotation within a cage moulding.

42. A tape printing apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:
a platen which is engageable by said thermal printing head during each mode of operation of said thermal printing head.

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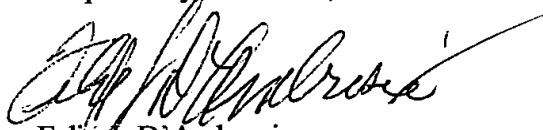
43. A tape printing apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein said platen is mounted for rotation within a cage moulding.

REMARKS

The above amendments to the claims are being submitted at this time in order to have new claims 40-43 considered by the examiner in his examination.

Please charge the added claim fee of \$72 to Deposit Account No. 10-1213.

Respectfully submitted,


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